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We cordially invite all Dahlia Lovers to visit our gardens during the blooming season. Our gardens are located at 114 N. Catharine St., just south of U. S. Route 36, East.

Kokosing Dahlia Garden
Mt. Vernon, Ohio

Kenneth W. Gaines, Owner

SPECIAL INFORMATION

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Avoid disappointment by ordering early. Quantities are very limited on some varieties and you will be assured of the best selection by making prompt reservations.

Unless specified, roots will be shipped between April 15 and May 1. Earlier shipments not recommended or guaranteed against freezing, drying out or rotting. Green plants are usually shipped between May 15 and June 15.

Please make your order amount to \$2.00 or more. It actually cost us as much to handle a \$2.00 order as it does to ship a \$5.00 to \$10.00 order. The same amount of detail work, inspection, packing, carton and handling is required.

Our quotations include all ordinary transportation charges fully paid. If you wish "Special Delivery," add 25c to your remittance. We recommend that green plants should travel Special Delivery to insure prompt and careful handling.

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GENERAL DESCRIPTION OF VARIETIES

Foreword . . . On account of limited catalog space, our descriptions are necessarily brief, being confined primarily to the color and spe-

cial growing characteristics.

While all of the varieties we list are nationally known and recognized as outstanding leaders of the Dahlia World, we will be glad to supply more complete description upon request.

1936 INTRODUCTIONS

Abbreviations—(F. D.) Formal Decorative; (I. D.) Informal Decorative; (C.) Cactus; (S. C.) Semi-Cactus; (Inc. C.) Incurved Cactus; (Str. C.) Straight Cactus.

GRAND SLAM (Hulin)—A very wavy Semi-Cactus; color front petals tyrian rose, back petals light pink with citron yellow reverse; size 8 to 10 inches; can be used for both exhibition and commercial; a very stiff stem, although it needs disbudding to get best results; clean dark foliage; broad leaves; insect-resistant; average height 5 feet; a meduim early bloomer and plenty of blooms; branches do not spread, coming rather straight.

Plants Only \$5.00 Net

JERSEY'S WHITE BEAUTY (Waite)—For the last two years this great white has been a sell-out on the New York market as a cut flower. In the 1935 New York show it won as the best white Formal in the section for medium-sized blooms. It is a clear glistening white, and the habits of the plant and size of the blooms are very much the same as Jersey's Beauty, except that it is a more profuse bloomer.

Introducers Plants Only \$5.00

MILTON J. CROSS (Johnson)—Unquestionably the champion Dahlia of the eastern shows this year. This magnificent flower will unquestionably take its place with the outstanding exhibition varieties. It is a nicely-proportioned, very large bloom of great depth and beauty. The color is a clear gold at the center of the flower, shading to light orange-buff on the outer half of petals; the color is bright, rich, and pleasing.

Plants Only \$7.50

MARGRACE (Hillside Farm) — Here is a great Dahlia. Made about the best record of the year. Informal; color, bright red, tipped gold with light reverse; size 10x6; strong, stiff stems 8 to 15 inches; position good heavy and wide spreading foliage; plant 5 to 6 feet in height; medium early bloomer; blooms hold their size well and centers always closed. An attractive variety.

Plants Only \$5.00

MIRIAM HOPKINS (Cordes-Eastman)—This Dahlia resembles Amelia Earhart particularly in color; a Semic-Cactus, rather loosely formed but of great depth and diameter; color, salmon pink and rose combination; an early and prolific bloomer, height Plants Only \$5.00 of plant $5\frac{1}{2}$ feet.

NORMANDIE (Velie) - A real giant and one that will appeal to the Dahlia hobbyist who gives the extra care to winning the big bloom prizes. This Dahlia is about the biggest Dahlia "afloat." The color is a bright mallow-pink, striped with silver pink. Produces 12 to 14 inch blooms.

Plants Only \$5.00



OAKLEIGH MOMARCH (Oakleigh Gardens)—Formal; exhibition type; cerise red in color; blooms 10 to 14 inches; heavy stems; with canes two to three feet long; tough foliage and insect resistant; height 6 feet; medium early bloomers; a strong, rugged grower; blooms keep well Plants Only \$5.00

PRIDE OF AUSTINBURGH (Strasen) - Informal; exhibition type; color grenadine pink and light orange yellow, dark center and reverse light purple; size of bloom 10½ inches; a cane stem 10½ inches to first set of leaves; leathery foliage and bug resistant; 4 to 4½ feet in height; a mid-season bloomer and prolific.

Plants Only \$5.00

PRIDE OF AMERICA (American Dahlia Farms)-The actual appearance of this Dahlia is misleading because of its perfect proportion. The blooms grow naturally 10 to 12 inches, but it gives no appearance of massiveness. The color is a clear primrose-yellow, with pale tints of flush-pink showing on some of the petals as well as the reverse. The flowers are on perfect stems well above the foliage. This is going to be a difficult Dahlia to defeat in the classes calling for perfection of bloom.

Roots \$15.00; Plants \$7.50

ROYAL PURCHASE—(Salem Dahlia Garden)—Incurved cactus; color yellow outer petals suffused pink; blooms 10 to 11½ inches, field grown; the petals twist and turn giving the big blooms a most pleasantly shaggy appearance; a long and straight stem; foliage is spare and medium green; a profuse bloomer; blooms held high out of the clean foliage.

Roots \$15.00; Plants \$7.50

QUEEN CITY (Peck)—A formal, commercial type, of a scarlet pink color; size 7 inches with depth of 4 to 5 inches; excellent stems on long upright branches starting from near ground; height of plant 3 to 4 feet; a very early and continuous bloomer and developes blooms exceptionally rapid; a remarkable cut flower variety.

Plants Only \$7.50

1935 Introductions and Honor Roll Dahlias

ADIRONDACK SUNSET I. D. 1935 - This aptly named Dahlia has everything a good Dahlia can offer; color, form, personality and splendid growing habits. The color is a brilliant scarlet, red with golden tips, golden blushes on the reverse and a vivid light orange at the base of petals. The center of the flower is tipped golden orange.

Roots \$5.00, Plants \$2.50

AMERICAN SWEETHEART I. D. 1935-An immense informal decorative of pure yellow color. With a wonderful stem.

Roots \$7.50, Plants \$3.75

AMELIA EARHART S. C.—Apricot buff with salmon tints shaded to soft yellow at the base of petals.

Roots \$3.00, Plants \$1.50

ANDREA ERICKSON I. D. — The whitest of all whites. Petals are pointed and irregular placed. Flowers average 7 to 10 inches with ordinary culture.

Roots \$.75, Plants \$.50

ARCTURUS F. D.—A large scarlet red suffused deep yellow with yellow reverse.

Roots \$1.00, Plants \$.50

AMERICAN LEGION I. D.—The gorgeous bright yellow blossoms are held on perfect stems, over a tall robust bush.

Roots \$2.00, Plants \$1.00

BETTY DAVIS S. C. 1935—A deep violet rose Semi-Cactus, clear, lovely color that never blotches. Fine, long stems with very graceful foliage.

(Plants Only) \$2.50

BUCKEYE BRIDE F. D. — Geranium pink, a most beautiful shade in Dahlias. A great Dahlia with splendid qualities. Exceptionally fine cut flower.

Roots \$.50

CALIFORNIA IDOL I. D. 1935—This giant yellow, is fine grower with a deep flower of clear glistening yellow, a true pastel shade. Here will be a new competitor in the specimen bloom class.

(Plants Only) \$7.50

CALIFORNIA ROSE I. D. 1935 — Clear bright rose. Exquisite coloring, large tall growing. Flowers extremely graceful.

(Plants Only) \$4.00

CADET S. C.—A new cactus, light primrose yellow in color, with long, well rolled and slightly in curved petals.

Roots \$3.00, Plants \$1.50

CAMEO I. D.—Coral rose with glistening sheen, deep rose pink reverse.

Roots \$1.50, Plants \$.75

CHAUTAUQUA SUNSET F. D.—The coloring is a magnificent combination of sunset colors, gold, orange and peach red. A greatly admired Dahlia in our exhibition garden the past season.

Roots \$2.00, Plants \$1.00

CAVALCADE F. D. 1935—A formal of old rose or mulberry pink. A commercial variety which looks like the best of its type since the introduction of Jersey's Beauty.

Roots \$5.00, Plants \$2.50

CORNELIA BRYCE PINCHOT I. D. 1935—One of the richest Dahlias in color, being a glowing burgundy red on a heavy, very deep flower.

Roots \$5.00, Plants \$2.50

DADDY KEMP I. D. 1935—It has flower of rich violet red. The flower attains an immense size often 14x7 inches.

Roots \$5.00, Plants \$2.50

DWIGHT W. MORROW F. D.—An immense cardinal red Dahlia unusually rich in color and quality. This variety always attracts very much attention in our garden.

Roots \$.50

EAGLE ROCK FANTASY I. D.—The blooms are not only gigantic in size, but also perfect in quality and form. Color mallow pink, excellent stems and habit and growth.

Plants Only \$1.00

EDNA FERBER S. C.—This Dahlia will always be a winner because it has the important characteristics of a perfect Dahlia, color coral shading to old gold.

Roots \$.50

and body of flower glistening coral, one of the best of this type.

Roots \$3.00, Plants \$1.50

ELISSA LANDI F. D.—Color is jasper pink blended with warm buff, giving an effect of brilliant orange. A profuse bloomer and recommended very highly.

Roots \$2.00, Plants \$1.00

FOREST FIRE I. D. 1935—The name is a very good description, a brilliant scarlet flame with blushes of yellow. Throughout the flower are yellow petaloids.

Roots \$5.00, Plant \$2.50

FRAU O'BRACHT C.—A Holland variety. Distinctive form and clean cut. The color is clear pale yellow, very clean and graceful in effect. A good one.

Roots \$.75, Plants \$.50

FRAU IDA MANSFIELD Inc. C.—A fine bold flower of deep rich yellow.

Roots \$1.00, Plants \$.50

GOLDEN STANDARD C. 1935—Golden tan. A seedling of Jane Cowl. Distinctively attractive in its type and individual in its color.

Roots \$5.00, Plants \$2.50

GRANDEE I. D.—Light opal red shaded orange yellow.

Roots \$4.00, Plants \$2.00

GOODNIGHT I. D.—An older variety but still good, color is a dark maroon.

Roots \$.75

HARRIET NEALE, I. D.—Color rich gold. An early and profuse bloomer, flowers attain great size in diameter and in depth of bloom and are erect.

Roots \$2.25, Plants \$1.00

HILLCREST NUGGET I. D. 1935—This is unquestionably one of the finest Dahlias we have ever grown. It has everything a good Dahlia should have: 3-foot stems, giant blooms and perfect growing habits. The color is nugget bronze with troubadour red reverse; a most unusual and attractive combination. It is a very profuse bloomer and the flowers average 9 to 13 inches in size. If you want a real Dahlia, order NUGGET by all means.

Roots \$5.00, Plants \$2.50

HILLCREST FLUFFY RUFFLES I. D.—The color is hard to describe. We call it a soft apricot, a beautiful new shade in Dahlias. As the name indicates, the blooms are very artistic and unsual and the petals have a waxey, almost artificial appearance. A profuse bloomer and the growing habits are perfect, strong, healthy, insect-resistant.

Roots \$1.25, Plants \$.65

HONOR BRIGHT F. D.—Color peach red self color to deep orange, wonderful stems, and fine bloomer.

Roots \$1.50, Plants \$.75

HUNT'S VIOLET WONDER I. D. 1935—Another giant of great beauty. The color is a rich violet burgundy.

Roots \$7.50, Plants \$3.75

JERSEY DAINTY I. D. — An elegant white flower that has always been a favorite every since it was introduced. Every garden should have one at least.

Roots \$1.00, Plants \$.50

JESSICA DRAGONETTA S. C. 1935—A large Semi-Cactus bloom in a beautiful three-toned combination of peach, apricot and mauve, the colors blend splendidly. A strong thrifty, and free blooming variety. We consider this one of the best varieties we have ever grown.

Roots \$5.00, Plants \$2.50

JEROME KERNS I. D. — Large shrimp pink tinted with gold and bronze, petals twist and wave very artistically, stems erect, good grower.

Roots \$1.50, Plants \$.75

JOSEPHINE G. S. C.—A bright rose pink which immediately attracts attention. A very profuse bloomer and the stems are excellent. A mighty popular Dahlia and a good one too.

Roots \$.50

KATHLEEN NORRIS I. D.—A true pink that is very large and seems to be a big favorite with everyone, a perfect Dahlia.

Roots \$.50

KAY FRANCIS S. C. 1935—A perfect formed Semi-Cactus. Light yellow that never burns in the hottest sun, also is unharmed by rain or wind and regardless of weather, perfect flowers are always ready for all shows. Won 11 prizes in 1934.

Roots \$5.00, Plants \$2.50

KEMP'S WHITE WONDER I. D.—Extremely large white flowers 12 to 14 inches in diameter and 5 to 6 inches deep.

Roots \$.50

KARL BONAWITZ S. C.—The brilliant velvety carmine flowers are artistic and gracefully formed, although dark in color for commercial cut flower, it is a wonderful keeper and arranges well with lighter Dahlias. A perfect bush, wonderful stems.

Roots \$.50

KENTUCKY RED I. D.—This Dahlia is a favorite with every one on account of its brilliant scarlet red color—there is no color just like it, blooms 8 to 11 inches on long stems.

Roots \$.75, Plants \$.50

LADY MOYRA PONSONBY I. D.—One of the most outstanding 1933 introducings, made good everywhere. And is one of the best pure glowing yellow to date.

Roots \$1.75, Plant \$1.00



LORD OF AUTUMN I. D.

LA F!ESTA I. D.—Very large flower of deep yellow penciled red. Splendid grower.

Roots \$1.50, Plants \$.75

LORD OF AUTUMN I. D.—One of the finest Dahlias we have ever grown. A deep golden yellow which does not bleach or burn. We have grown this Dahlia to 12 inches across on stems that held the flower high above the fcliage. It is a prolific bloomer with fine growing habits, a great Dahlia in every respect.

Roots \$4.00, Plants \$2.00

MAN O'WAR I. D. — One of the most outstanding Dahlias, and certainly one of the best dark red on the market. A strong, vigorous grower with giant blooms, long straight stems and insect-proof foliage. The color is rich, dark carmine red with plenty of glow and life. This variety is just naturally a big bloomer, with blooms 12 inches in diameter.

Roots \$2.00, Plants \$1.00

MAY ROBISON S. C. — A true pink Semi-Cactus about the same shade as Kathleen Norris but a little pinker. A very prolific and vigorous grower.

Roots \$5.00, Plants \$2.50

MISS BELGIUM Str. C.—This beautiful flower, of bright orange color, of perfect cactus type, and free flowering habits, was very much admired by every one last season. A Dahlia that is very pleasing to the eye either in a vase, basket, or on the bush.

Plants Only \$1.00

MRS. BRUCE COLLINS Str. C. — Color is a light lemon yellow, the flowers are very artistic on perfect stems.

Roots \$3.50, Plants \$1.75

MRS. GEO. LE BOUTILLER I. D. 1935 — A giant flower and the outstanding new red. The color is a rich velvet carmine. Another giant of the Dahlia world, which grows to an immense size.

Roots \$5.00, Plants \$2.50

MURPHY'S MASTERPIECE I. D.—Dark red to garnet, always a monster bloom, some have reported 17 inches. It sure draws its share of attention in our garden.

Roots \$2.00, Plants \$1.00

ORIENTAL GLORY I. D.—Deep orange color, overlaid with scarlet, center and reverse heavily shaded orange.

Roots \$1.00. Plants \$.50

PALO ALTO S. C.—Very large, clear bright salmon shaded with gold. Stems long and erect. We had blooms with 3-foot stems and we did not have to disbud to get them. Always a great prize winner.

Roots \$1.50, Plants \$.75

PASTEL GLOW I. D. — White with pink reverse. Good stems, and plant is a medium grower.

Roots \$.60

PAUL PFITZER S. C.—A German variety. Color is a delicate pink or salmon color flushed with rose. A strong grower with perfect stems.

Roots \$1.00, Plants \$.50

PERSIMMON (Miniature) — Trué persimmon color and its brilliant beauty commends instant attention, a profuse bloomer.

Plants \$.50

RAINBOW'S END I. D.—The coloring of this Dahlia is all that the name indicates—the petals are scarlet with empire yellow tips and maize yellow reverse; a most unusual and beautiful combination.

Roots \$1.00, Plants \$.50

ROBERT EMMET I. D. — A fine, new cardinal red Dahlia of giant size and unusual beauty. It's a perfect open grower with dark green, insect-resistant foliage. Stems are long and stiff, holding the blooms in a perfect facing position. A splendid addition to any garden.

Roots \$1.50, Plants \$.75

RUDY VALLEE S. C.—One of the most beautiful of recent introduction; color grenadine orange red. Blooms are large of good depth, full centered and are held erect on long stems.

Roots \$.50

RUBY TAYLOR I. D.—A prize winner from the Pacific coast which has met with instant approval wherever grown. The color is carmine, and the large deep blooms are supported by perfect, long stems. We consider this to be one of the finest variety we grow.

Roots \$1.50, Plants \$.75

ROCKLEY MOON F. D. 1935—Beautiful yellow with a purplish tint on reverse of petals.

Roots \$2.50, Plants \$1.25

SATAN S. C.—No Dahlia has been more sensational and spectacular than this one. Horn like petals of flaming red, touches gold, perfect rolled and incurved, give rare form to a flower of unusual brilliancy. The immense blooms, up to 13 inches, are held upright on long, cane stems.

Roots \$1.00, Plants \$.50

SONNEY BOY I. D. — A monster old rose slightly tinged old gold.

Roots \$1.75, Plants \$1.00

spotlight i. D.—This variety certainly will make a bright spot in anyone's garden. The color is sulphur yellow and the petals curl and twist in a most fascinating manner. The stems are long and straight foliage tough and insect-resisting, it's an early bloomer and can stand hot, dry weather. Recommended very highly.

Roots \$1.50, Plants \$.75

THOMAS EDISON F. D.—A gorgeous royal purple flower of medium to large size, and a good grower.

Roots \$.50

THE FIREMAN L. D.—Color is flashy, cardinal red, with golden flushes, and golden tips at the center.

Roots \$3.00, Plants \$1.50

WASHINGTON GIANT I. D.—One of the outstanding introductions of 1934 and a winner of many high awards. It is unusual in form and color, a giant in size and the stems are perfect. Color is pure lavender streaked with silver.

Roots \$1.00, Plants \$.50

WENOKA F. D. 1935—Here is a new formal decorative which is a giant among giants — the most outstanding Dahlia ever seen, bar none. The color is rosy mauve and the immense blooms are held upright on stems that are as stiff and straight as broom handles—at least 24 inches to first set of leaves. The foliage is like leather, dark green in color, and ab-

solutely insect-resistant. Wenoka is particularly outstanding in every respect: growing habits, color and huge size. We recommend Wenoka very highly and predict that it will be a mighty popular variety for years to come.

Roots \$10.00, Plants \$5.00

WM. RATHGERBER I. D.—Color is a clear red, on long stiff stems.

Roots \$1.00, Plants \$.50



Special Close-Out Varieties

In order to make room for an extensive planting of more recent introductions, we are closing out the following varieties at very special prices. These are all good standard Dahlias and are sure to please you. Avoid disappointment by ordering promptly. All

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	Per R	oot
Amber Queen	Amber	
	Ivory tipped purple	
	Yellow tipped crimson	
- 1	Pale lilac	
Highland Mary	Pink and white	. 25c
Helen Antia	Pink center white	25c
Johnney	Red	25c
,	Dark red	
Johnnie	Dark red, very small	50c
	Primrose yellow	
Madaline	Primrose tipped rose	25c
,	Purple	
	Burgundy red tip'd white	
	White	

MINIATURE

	Per Root
Baby Royal	Salmon and gold\$.50
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